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3	end to the war in Iraq and a safe return home for our troops.
5	WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proposed an escalation in the number of US troops deployed in Iraq; and
6 7 8	WHEREAS, U.S. involvement in Iraq has resulted in the deaths of more than 3,000 U.S. soldiers, including 66 from Washington State; and the wounding and disabling of more than 22,000 U.S. military personnel to date, including 671 from Washington State, with thousands of returnees experiencing post traumatic stress disorder; and
9	WHEREAS, the estimated number of Iraqi war related deaths now exceeds 600,000; and
10	WHEREAS, the proposed escalation will further extend National Guard tours in Iraq, resulting in additional disruption of family life, financial hardship for individuals, families and
12	businesses, interruption of careers and damage to the fabric of civic life in Seattle communities; and
13	WHEREAS, American troops, including more than 12,000 Washington residents serving on active duty and in the National Guard, have performed their duties under adverse circumstances; and
151617	WHEREAS, Congress to date has appropriated more than \$357 billion to fund military operations and reconstruction in Iraq leading to likely cuts in funding for critical needs for Seattle residents; and
18	WHEREAS, the cost of the war to the City of Seattle is more than \$989 million; and
19	WHEREAS, the infrastructure, public safety, and a social safety net are the responsibility of
20	local municipal government and the priority of the Seattle City Council as the budgeting authority for the City of Seattle; and
21	WHEREAS, absent Federal funds for these municipal priorities, the Seattle City Council will
22 23	have to choose to reduce services and infrastructure investments or to increase revenues by raising taxes, fees, or assuming additional debt; and
24	WHEREAS, polls show that the vast majority of Americans do not support increasing the number of troops in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, legal experts on all sides have determined that Congress has not only broad authority, but a long tradition of limiting escalation or forcing redeployment of troops through the Constitutionally-designate power of the purse.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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- Section 3. The City of Seattle honors the sacrifices of our men and women in military service and wishes them to be reunited with their families and communities.
- Section 4. That the Seattle City Council requests congressional representatives of the State of Washington, to require the President to obtain explicit approval from Congress before sending more American troops to Iraq and to support legislation prohibiting the President from spending taxpayer dollars to escalate the war in Iraq without Congressional approval.
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- Section 6. That a copy of this resolution shall be sent to George W. Bush, President of the United States, Washington State senators and representatives, each member of Congress representing the State of Washington, and the King County Council

Iraq War Costs to Seattle Resolution March 10, 2007 Version #2 United States, Washington State senators and representatives, each member of Congress representing the State of Washington, and the King County Council Adopted by the City Council the 19 day of March, 2007, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 19th day of march, 2007. of the City Council Filed by me this 19th day of March, 2007. (Seal)

City of Seattle Legislative Department



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Judith E. Pippin City Clerk

March 29, 2007

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Dear «Greeting»:

On March 19, 2007, the Seattle City Council adopted the enclosed Seattle Resolution No. 30969 regarding Seattle's support for an end to U.S. military operations in Iraq and an expedited and orderly withdrawal from that country.

The Council requested copies of the resolution be forwarded.

Very truly yours,

Judith E. Pippin, City Clerk

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President ______of the City Council

Filed by me this 19th day of March, 2007.

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3	A RESOLUTION recognizing the human and financial costs of the Iraq War and supporting an end to the war in Iraq and a safe return home for our troops.
4 5	WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proposed an escalation in the number of US troops deployed in Iraq; and
6 7 8	WHEREAS, U.S. involvement in Iraq has resulted in the deaths of more than 3,000 U.S. soldiers, including 66 from Washington State; and the wounding and disabling of more than 22,000 U.S. military personnel to date, including 671 from Washington State, with thousands of returnees experiencing post traumatic stress disorder; and
9	WHEREAS, in the next five years the VA will receive 638,000 new first-time claims due to the Iraq war - 400,000 by the end of 2009 alone - creating added costs of between \$70 billion and \$150 billion; and
11	WHEREAS, the estimated number of Iraqi war related deaths now exceeds 600,000; and
13 14 15	WHEREAS, the proposed escalation will further extend National Guard tours in Iraq, resulting in additional disruption of family life, financial hardship for individuals, families and businesses, interruption of careers and damage to the fabric of civic life in our communities; and
16 17	WHEREAS, the American troops, including more than 12,000 Washington residents serving in active duty and in the National Guard, have valiantly upheld their duty in Iraq under dire circumstances,; and
18 19	WHEREAS, more than \$357 billion has been appropriated by Congress to fund military operations and reconstruction in Iraq to date and interest payments will likely lead to even larger cuts in funding for critical needs for Seattle residents; and
20	WHEREAS, the cost to Washington State is \$10.4 billion, and the City of Seattle more than \$989 million; and
22 23	WHEREAS, for an equal amount of money, 126,241 children in Seattle could enroll in Head Start, 6,288 affordable housing units could be built, 15,449 Port Container
24	Inspectors could be hired, and 171,244 Seattle residents could receive health care; and
25	WHEREAS, similarly, if proposed cuts to federal appropriations to Washington State in the 2008 budget are applied equally across the state, 30% fewer Seattle residents will be served by

in Community Development Block Grant funding; and

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the Low-Income Energy Assistance program and Seattle will receive 29% fewer dollars

- WHEREAS, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) has found that for every dollar spent per US resident on the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), crime fell by almost 30 incidents per 100,000 residents, yet the 2008 budget proposes to cut \$509 million from the COPS program reducing by 94% the funds for state and local law enforcement agencies to hire police officers, enhance crime fighting technology, support crime prevention initiatives, and combat methamphetamine use and distribution and provides no funding for the hiring of new police officers; and
- WHEREAS, the proposed 2008 Federal budget cuts \$375 million in funding from the Firefighter Assistance Grants program reduces appropriations to local fire departments to better protect firefighters and the public; and
- WHEREAS, excluding an increase to highway and aviation trust funds the administration proposes to cut about \$13.2 billion in 2008 from the Department of Transportation's funding for the nation's transportation system and failing to fully fund transit programs to levels promised in the last surface-transportation reauthorization bill by \$309 million; and
- WHEREAS, the infrastructure, public safety, and a social safety net are the responsibility of local municipal government and the priority of the Seattle City Council as the budgeting authority for the City of Seattle; and
- WHEREAS, absent Federal funds for these municipal priorities, the Seattle City Council will have to choice to either reducing services and infrastructure investments or increase revenues by raising taxes, fees, and assuming additional debt; and
- WHEREAS, 20 state legislatures in recent weeks have held legislative hearings in state capitols and introduced resolutions opposing the President's proposed escalation in Iraq; and
- WHEREAS, polls show that the vast majority of Americans do not support increasing the number of troops in Iraq; and
- WHEREAS, most military experts oppose escalation in Iraq and press reports indicate that even the Joint Chiefs of Staff have opposed such a strategy; and
- WHEREAS, legal experts on all sides have determined that Congress has not only broad authority, but a long tradition of limiting escalation or forcing redeployment of troops through the Constitutionally designate power of the purse.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THAT:

Section 1. Recognizing the war's financial and human costs to our region, the Seattle City Council supports an end to US military operations in Iraq, and an expedited and orderly withdrawal from that country.

Section 2. That the Seattle City Council acting on behalf of its fiduciary responsibility to the residents of Seattle, urges that in a period when the Iraq Study Group, leading military and diplomatic officials and allies around the world are calling for a reduction in troops and withdrawal of the US from Iraq, the United States government should not escalate its involvement in Iraq or increase troop levels.

Section 3. The City of Seattle honors the sacrifices of our men and women in military service and wishes them home safely, to be reunited with their families and communities.

Section 4. That the Seattle City Council requests congressional representatives of the State of Washington at a minimum, to require the President to obtain explicit approval from Congress if he wants to send more U.S. troops to Iraq and support legislation prohibiting the President from spending taxpayer dollars to escalate the war in Iraq without Congressional approval.

Section 5. That the Seattle City Council wishes to allocate the resources saved in bringing an end to the occupation of Iraq to the growing needs of our local community, including veterans returning home.

Section 6. That a suitable copy of this resolution shall be sent to George W. Bush, President of the United States, Washington State senators and representatives, each member of Congress representing the State of Washington, and the King County Council

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